

Driver License Division Resources

Applicants who provide acceptable proof of their status as a refugee or an approved asylee for an original Utah limited-term driver license will have the option of taking the Utah knowledge test in their native language with the assistance of an interpreter. Individuals who are applying for a Utah driving certificate for the first time or who have already applied but have been unable to pass the written test are eligible for this exception. The Utah Driver License Division will accept the following documents from applicants to prove refugee or approved asylee status in order to be able to take the written test in their native language:

- Original I-94 showing refugee or asylee status; or
- Copy of the I-94 accompanied with a letter from their resettlement agency (on agency letterhead) stating they entered the country as a refugee or approved asylee; or
- Permanent resident alien card "green card" with one of these codes listed under "Category": 0RE4, RE6, RE7, RE8, RE9, AS6, AS7, AS8 or CH6.

Refugee and asylee applicants will need to schedule an appointment online at secure.utah.gov/refscheduler/scheduler/index.uii?null.

Refugees and asylees have two options for interpretation. The first is to use a court interpreter that is Certified, Approved, Registered 1 or Registered 2. The court lists these interpreters at utcourts.gov/resources/interp/interpreters.html. The second option is to call one of the approved interpreting companies to schedule an interpreter for the knowledge portion of the driver license test. Please keep in mind that it can be difficult to find qualified interpreters for some languages, so interpreting agencies request that individuals schedule appointments two weeks in advance and immediately contact the agency of their choice to give sufficient time to arrange an interpreter. This does not guarantee interpreter availability, but it will increase the chances of availability. Interpreter costs are the responsibility of the applicant.

Translation Companies Approved by DWS and RSO

CommGap International Services

801-944-4049

Pentskiff Interpreting Services

801-484=4089 or 1-888-898-7129

Available by phone 24/7; give at least 24 hours notice

When the applicant arrives for their scheduled appointment, they will be required to:

- Pay the license fee
- Pass the eye test
- Take the written knowledge test in their native language with the assistance of the approved interpreter

Once the written test is passed, the applicant will be issued a temporary driving permit. Prior to receiving the full driving privilege, the applicant will need to pass the driving test with a driver license examiner. Upon successful completion of all requirements, the applicant will be issued a limited-term driver license with a four-year expiration date. When the limited-term license expires, the applicant will need to renew their license and will be required to pass the written test in English. If the applicant is not able to pass the written test in English, no driving privilege will be given.

